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## <u>DISTRIBUTION MANAGEMENT OF INTELLIGENT AGENTS USING</u> <u>DISTRIBUTION CONTROL INFORMATION</u>

## **Abstract of the Disclosure**

An apparatus, program product, and method utilize distribution control information associated with intelligent agents to manage the distribution of such intelligent agents. Such distribution management may be incorporated into a dynamic, automated, extensible and flexible intelligent agent-based product support "framework" to facilitate the provision of product support services to customers of computer-related products. In such a framework, agent platforms may be utilized on both a customer computer and a product support computer, with different agents configured to execute on one or both of such computers.